

Identity Theft Victim Complaint Data

Figures and Trends
In Florida

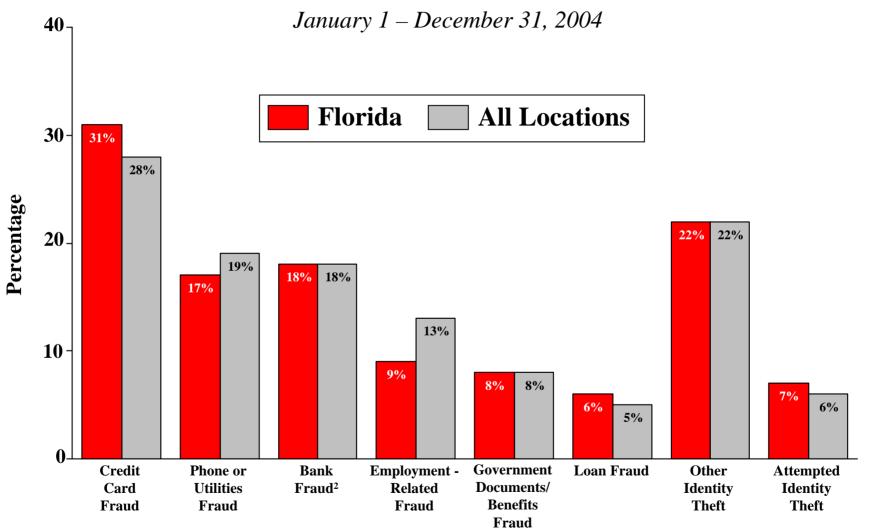
January 1- December 31, 2004



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Figure 1 How Victims' Information Is Misused¹



Percentages are based on the total number of victims reporting: 16,062 from Florida and 246,570 from all locations. Percentages add to more than 100 because approximately 20% of victims from Florida and 19% of victims from all locations reported experiencing more than one type of identity theft. All victims reported experiencing at least one type of identity theft.

Figure 2





How Victims' Information Is Misused¹

January 1 – December 31, 2004

Total Number of Identity Theft Victims:

Florida = 16,062

All Locations = 246,570

Credit Card Fraud

Theft Subtypes	Florida	All Locations
New Accounts	18.8%	16.5%
Existing Accounts	12.9	11.9
Unspecified	0.1	0.1
Total	31%	28%

Phone or Utilities Fraud

Theft Subtypes	Florida	All Locations
Wireless - New	9.9%	10.0%
Telephone - New	5.1	5.9
Utilities - New	3.2	4.2
Unauthorized Charges		
to Existing Accounts	0.8	0.7
Unspecified	0.3	0.3
Total	17%	19%

Bank Fraud²

Theft Subtypes	Florida	All Locations
Existing Accounts	8.2%	8.5%
Electronic Fund Transfer	7.3	6.6
New Accounts	4.1	3.6
Unspecified	0.1	0.1
Total	18%	18%

Employment-Related Fraud

Theft Subtype	Florida	All Locations
Employment-Related Frau	ıd 8.6%	12.7%

Government Documents or Benefits Fraud

Theft Subtypes	Florida	All Locations
Fraudulent Tax Return	4.0%	3.8%
Driver's License Issued / Forged	2.1	2.2
Gov't Benefits Applied For / Received	1.0	1.4
Other Gov't Documents Issued / Forge	d 0.7	0.7
Social Security Card Issued / Forged	0.3	0.5
Unspecified	< 0.1	< 0.1
Total	8%	8%

Loan Fraud

Theft Subtypes	Florida	All Locations
Business / Personal / Student Loan	2.9%	2.6%
Auto Loan / Lease	2.2	1.9
Real Estate Loan	1.6	1.2
Unspecified	0.2	0.2
Total	6%	5%

Other Identity Theft

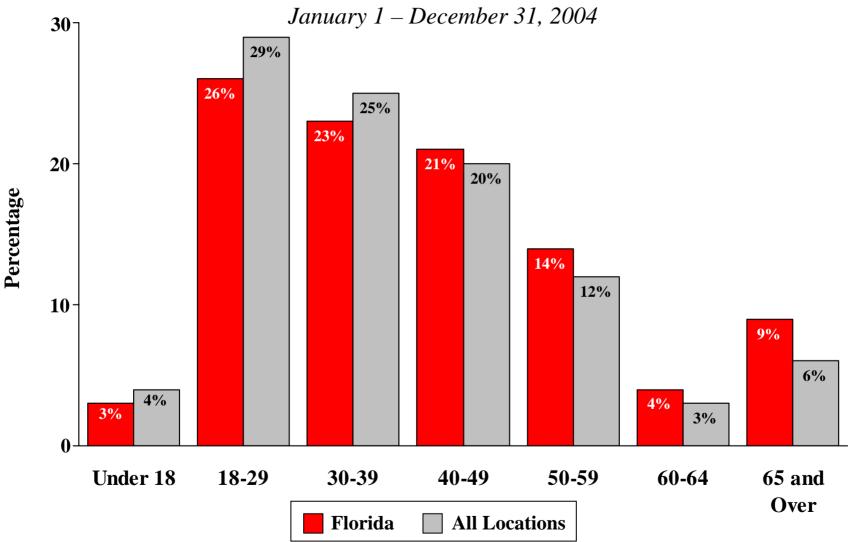
Theft Subtypes	Florida	All Locations
Other	14.3%	14.3%
Illegal / Criminal	2.6	2.4
Internet / E-Mail	1.6	1.8
Medical	2.0	1.8
Apartment / House Rented	1.1	0.9
Insurance	0.5	0.4
Property Rental Fraud	0.3	0.3
Bankruptcy	0.3	0.3
Child Support	0.2	0.3
Magazines	0.2	0.2
Securities / Other Investments	0.2	0.1
Total	22%	22%

Attempted Identity Theft

Theft Subtype	Florida	All Locations
Attempted Identity Theft	7.3%	6.4%



Figure 3 Complaints by Victim Age¹



¹Percentages are based on the number of victims who provided their age: 15,505 from Florida and 234,263 from all locations. This chart represents 97% of victims reporting from Florida and 95% of victims reporting from all locations who contacted the Federal Trade Commission directly.

Figure 4a





Identity Theft Victims by State (Per 100,000 Population)¹

January 1 – December 31, 2004

		Victims				Victims	
		Per 100,000	Number of			Per 100,000	Number of
Rank	Victim State	Population	Victims	Rank	Victim State	Population	Victims
1	Arizona	142.5	8,186	26	Ohio	60.7	6,956
2	Nevada	125.7	2,935	27	Connecticut	57.1	2,000
3	California	122.1	43,839	28	Minnesota	57.0	2,905
4	Texas	117.6	26,454	29	Oklahoma	56.0	1,973
5	Colorado	95.8	4,409	30	Tennessee	55.0	3,246
6	Florida	92.3	16,062	31	South Carolina	51.2	2,148
7	New York	92.0	17,680	32	Arkansas	50.8	1,397
8	Washington	91.1	5,654	33	Hawaii	50.7	640
9	Oregon	87.8	3,156	34	Rhode Island	50.6	547
10	Illinois	87.6	11,138	35	Louisiana	49.9	2,254
11	Georgia	84.3	7,440	36	Alabama	48.9	2,216
12	New Mexico	83.4	1,588	37	Wisconsin	48.0	2,646
13	Maryland	83.0	4,612	38	Mississippi	46.5	1,350
14	Utah	76.6	1,831	39	Nebraska	45.1	788
15	New Jersey	75.1	6,530	40	Idaho	43.1	600
16	Michigan	72.3	7,307	41	Wyoming	42.2	214
17	Indiana	68.5	4,274	42	New Hampshire	41.8	543
18	Missouri	67.9	3,905	43	Kentucky	40.1	1,662
19	Delaware	66.6	553	44	Montana	39.3	364
20	Alaska	66.1	433	45	Iowa	34.8	1,028
21	North Carolina	65.8	5,623	46	West Virginia	34.2	621
22	Virginia	63.6	4,742	47	Vermont	33.5	208
23	Kansas	61.3	1,677	48	Maine	32.2	424
24	Massachusetts	61.1	3,921	49	North Dakota	29.6	188
25	Pennsylvania	61.0	7,563	50	South Dakota	23.2	179



Figure 4b Identity Theft Victims by State (Per 100,000 Population)¹

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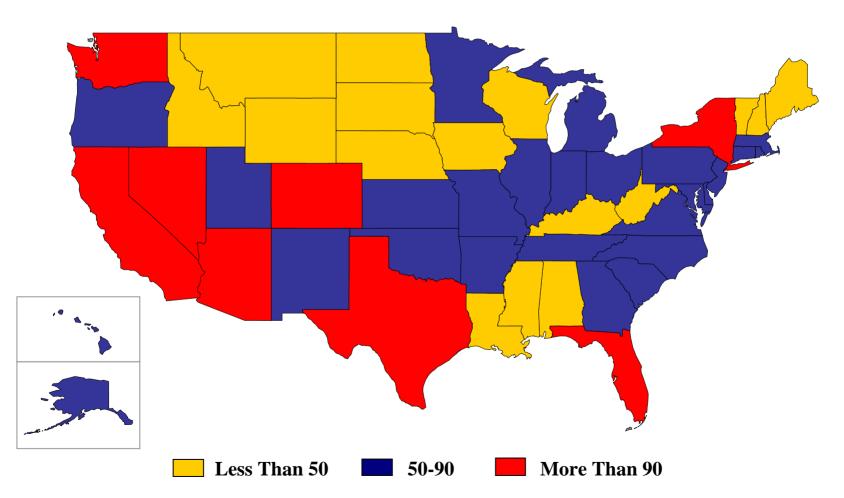




Figure 5 Top Cities in Florida¹

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